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Admiral Stansfield Turner, USN
Director of Central Intelligence
Washington, D. C. 20505

Dear Stan:

Pursuant to my secrecy agreement with the Agency, I tender herewith the text of a book I intend to publish. I have endeavored to write the book in a fashion which does not reveal classified information or otherwise transgress my agreement.

I would appreciate your reviewing the material and advising me whether you agree with this belief or not. If you do not with respect to certain items in the book, I would appreciate your advising me specifically which ones they are, as I would hope that I could rewrite such individual portions as you might find improper so that they could be published without conflict with the agreement.

As you know, I hope that this book may do some good in clarifying some rather large misunderstandings prevalent about intelligence and CIA. Consequently, while in no way asking your approval of the ideas and opinions in the book, I would welcome any comments you may choose to make which might advance that purpose. I also realize that my secrecy agreement does not call upon you to correct any error of fact that I may have made in writing this book, but again I would welcome any corrections you might find it appropriate to suggest. In the foreword of the book I intend to refer to the fact that I submitted the book to you for this review but that in no way do the ideas and opinions reflect any official position by yourself or by CIA.

Naturally, I would hope that this review will not take too long, although I do understand that you will want to consult on it and seek expert opinion from your subordinates. If there is anything I can do to accelerate the process through personal contact, I would be happy to do so.

With all good wishes for continued success in the fine job that I hear you are doing.

Sincerely,

W. E. Colby